

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING
BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 24 AUGUST 1993

===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 1180-0-01 (ACCNO 5632) Status: (A) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: PADILLA, DAVID ESEQUIEL Date Status assigned: 19 Mar 1976

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	#
Service	MARINE CORPS	Sex	MALE	Blood type	B #
Grade	E3	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	FAIR
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	BLUE	Weapon	#
Serial No	- DATA	Height	68 in / 1.73 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	DATA	Weight	143 lb / 64.8 kg	Duty pos	RIFLEMAN
Home State	TEXAS	Religion	CATHOLIC	PW Camp	\$

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: GROUND SITE
UTM: 48QXD800400
Lat/Long: 163813N / 1064116E
Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Military Region: 1
Mission Province: QUANG TRI
(formerly):
Mission District: HUONG HOA
Mission Date: 18 May 1968
Mission Category: 3
Local Analysis: Unknown location.

===== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY =====

Folders Passed: Dec 92
Investigations: Jun 93
Surveys: Jun 93
Vessey Case: NO
Case type: GROUND SITE - UNKNOWN LOSS

===== VEHICLE DATA =====

Vehicle Type: \$	Serial: \$
Crash Type: None	Engine Type:
Call Sign: \$	1 Serial:
Year: \$	2 Serial:

===== SPECIAL CHARACTER KEY =====

= Item has been researched but data cannot be obtained.
\$ = Item is not applicable to this case.
@ or Blank = Data for item is unknown or not available.

CASE: 1180

=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

12 December 1975

ON 18 MAY 1968 LCPL DAVID E. PADILLA WAS A MEMBER OF AN EIGHT-MAN RECONNAISSANCE PATROL IN THE VICINITY OF KHE SAHN, QUANG TRI PROVINCE, SOUTH VIETNAM WHEN HE CAME UNDER HEAVY SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR FIRE. A LARGE EXPLOSION OCCURRED WHERE HE WAS SITTING. A SEARCH OF THE AREA REVEALED PARTS OF HIS UTILITY JACKET AND A UTILITY BELT AROUND A 12 TO 15 INCH HOLE. HIS BODY WAS NOT RECOVERED BECAUSE THE REMAINS HAD DISINTEGRATED. LCPL PADILLA IS CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE PRESUMPTIVE STATUS OF DEAD, BODY NOT RECOVERED. (REF 1)

=== REFERENCES ===

12 December 1975

REFERENCES: <1> : MSG, CG 3RD MARINE DIVISION, 21 MAY 1968. <2> CJTFFA
DET ONE BANGKOK TH, 240354Z JUL 93.

=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

18 December 1992

A CASE NARRATIVE ON CASE 1180 WAS PASSED TO THE VIETNAMESE DURING THE 10-11 DECEMBER 1992 TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

12 August 1993

ON 12 JUL 93, A SUB-ELEMENT OF IE3 TRAVELED TO LANG BU VILLAGE, HUONG HOA DISTRICT, QUANG TRI PROVINCE TO INVESTIGATE CASE 1180. DURING THIS INVESTIGATION, IE3 CONDUCTED A SITE SURVEY OF THE LOSS LOCATION ASSOCIATED WITH THIS CASE BUT WERE UNABLE TO LOCATE ANY REMAINS OR BURIAL SITES. DURING THE INVESTIGATION, NO WITNESSES COULD BE LOCATED WITH INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THIS CASE. (REF 2)